

AN INTERESTING LIFE-REVIEW OF FORMER HARRISON COUNTY LADY

In reviewing the lives of the pioneers of Canton, that of Mrs. Ann M. Dewey, who resides at 405 East Locust street, must have an honorable place, says the Canton, Ill., Daily Register, for she has the distinction of having seen the town the earliest of anyone now living—there being only three houses here when she came, in the year 1830, with her father Isaac Shinn.

Ann Maria Shinn was born in Harrison county, W. Va., Feb. 22, 1823—almost 81 years ago. She remembers that when she was six years old there was a great deal of talk about the far west, and the new State of Illinois—then an almost unbroken wilderness. Many were talking of going, and her father resolved to go.

In October, 1829, they started, with two wagons—one heavy, three-horse wagon, covered with black canvas, and one light wagon covered with white sheeting, for the mother and children. They journeyed westward, crossing the Ohio river at Sistersville, and traveling along its banks for three days. The scenery along the way was very beautiful. There was heavy timber, and some of the trees were almost covered with wild grape vines and large bunches of wild grapes. They would sometimes fill in with other "movers," going west, and sometimes they would travel together for days. They were always glad to meet each other, and, although strangers they would become greatly attached.

Once in Indiana, in crossing a deep slough, their horses got mired. Her father waded in and cut the harness loose and got the horses out, but the wagon was stuck fast. Other "movers," who had crossed over safely, took two log-chains, hooked them to their wagon, hitched four horses to it, and as the horses could stand on firm ground they soon pulled the wagon out.

The roads were very bad through Indiana—they traveled hard one day, and only advanced eight miles. They endured a great many hardships, the country being thinly settled. They camped out nights, often in storm and rain. They passed through fine towns, which are now large cities—Chillicothe and Xenia, O.; Crawfordsville, Terre Haute and Indianapolis, Ind. Later they passed through Pekin, Ill., and finally reached Canton, their destination, May 17, 1830. It was a cold, rainy day.

There were just three houses in the town—Joel Wright's, John Hanan's and

General Isaiah Stillman's. Joel Wright's house stood where the Wilson house is, at the corner of Locust street and Avenue A. A. J. Hanan's was where the Nagel house now stands, on North Main street, and General Stillman's was where the old Childs house stands, on North Avenue A.

The Shinn's first lived in a little log cabin south of the cemetery, belonging to "Dickie" Johnson. It had a big fireplace, and they had to step down a foot to get to the hearth to do the cooking. In he fall Mr. Shinn built a cabin on North Main street, where Dr. Howard's house now is. The family consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Shinn and the children: Absalom, Job, Ann Maria, Edwin and Sarah. (The last named became Mrs. R. W. Dewey, Sr., the two Dewey brothers marrying two sisters.) The cabin had no floor, and there was a cowpath through the center of it. They had "Jackson" beds, which were made by boring holes in the log in the corner of the cabin, and in the side, the width of a bed from the corner, and putting poles for side boards in the holes, and a crocheted branch supported the corner out in the room. Clapboards were placed on this, and you had a primitive bedstead.

Mrs. Dewey well remembers the hurricane of 1835. She was 12 years old, and her cabin had been enlarged and another story added, but it was leveled flat by the storm. There were 13 persons in the house, but none were killed, though Mrs. Dewey's father received injuries which caused his death five years later, in 1840. Mr. and Mrs. Israel and son, Isaac, and daughter, Mrs. Venable, lived in the second story. Mr. Shinn and Mr. Israel put their weight against the door to hold it shut, but it burst open by the storm, and Mr. Shinn was hurled across the room, and both families had narrow escapes. When the house was demolished, they fled for shelter to Seabree's, where D. W. Maple's house now stands, and to Joel Wright's and Stillman's and to Tyler's tavern, which stood on the southeast corner of Chestnut street and Avenue A.

Mrs. Dewey remembers when there were Indians living around in the woods. They were friendly and used to come in to trade in the stores of Mr. Wright and Mr. Stillman. She well remembers the excitement at the time of the Black Hawk war, when word was received that the Indians were coming here to make a raid. The people in the country around gathered in town, and some left the town. Among them was Mrs. Dewey's father, who took his family. They yoked "Aunt Mollie" Anderson's oxen to Mr. Shinn's moving wagon, and the Shinn's and Andersons started to flee from the Indians with the help of an ox team. They started for Springfield. They crossed the river at Havana and in the prairies beyond savanna they were overtaken by a messenger—Mr. Foster—who came to tell them that the Indian scare was over. So they turned back. In coming home, when they reached the big hill this side of Lewiston one of the wagons got a "hot box," and as they dare not stop on the hill, and there was no water to be had until they would get up the hill, the woodwork of the wagon caught fire. But they got to water before serious damage was done.

While they were gone, interesting things were happening in town. A fort had been built around Mr. Wright's house and all the people were gathered in there. The women had fires started, and large kettles of water heated to scald the Indians if they should get into the fort. There was not a man with a hand-steady enough to pour the lead in the making of bullets, and Mrs. Cuykendall—mother of H. M. Cuykendall, who died recently—sat all night and poured lead into molds, making bullets.

Mrs. Dewey was married to Edwin Page Dewey, Sept. 1, 1842. They set up housekeeping on the farm of Oliver Dewey, four miles north of Canton, Mr. Dewey giving his son, Edwin, a quarter section of land, on which they built a house not far from the father's home. About the year 1856 the family moved to town and lived in the house now occupied by C. A. Piper, on East Spruce street. From there they moved to the place on East Chestnut street, near the limits, now occupied by James Seery. They lived here nine years, and then moved, 30 years ago, to the present family home, on East Locust street.

Six children were born. Two of them, Harriet and Stephen, died in childhood. The others are living. The Misses Sarah and Lizzie are at home with their mother. Roswell W. Jr., lives on West Locust street, and Arthur lives in South Bend, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Dewey celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in 1892, and there were 10 persons present at the anniversary celebration who were present at the wedding.

What Time Proves. This thing of being sick and looking for a cure is a mighty serious business. People are not given to joking even at the first symptom of the approach of the Grim Destroyer. They do not want to be the subjects of experiment, but want medicine that has had the test of years behind it. A medicine that has been made and used for 20 years gives assurance of its worth, and can be taken with a faith that they have the very best cure the world affords. All this can be said about Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills as a remedy for sick headache, dyspepsia and indigestion, it begins right at the source of the trouble and removes the cause. Sold by all druggists for 25 cents per box. One pill for a dose. Stone & Mercer.

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Mrs. Dewey's mother, Mrs. Maria Shinn Crosthwaite, who had faced the rigors of the pioneer times, died in 1895, at a ripe old age, and Mrs. Dewey was called to mourn the loss of her husband, Edwin P. Dewey, who died August 23, 1898.

Mrs. Dewey is a first cousin of our townsman, R. S. Ogden, Sr.

READ IT THROUGH.

'Twould Spoil This Story to Tell It in the Headlines.

To use an eighteenth century phrase, this is an "o'er true tale." Having happened in a small Virginia town in the winter of 1902, it is a story very much of the present. Up to a short time ago Mrs. John E. Harmon, of Melba Station, Va., had no personal knowledge of the rare curative properties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. "Last January," she says, "my baby took a dreadful cold and at one time I feared she would have pneumonia, but one of my neighbors told me how this remedy had cured her little boy and I began giving it to my baby at once and it soon cured her. I heartily thank the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for placing so great a cure within my reach. I cannot recommend it too highly or say too much in its favor. I hope all who read this will try it and be convinced as I was." For sale by G. C. Stone, druggist.

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BIENNIAL

Convention of the Tri-State Young Men's Christian Association Will Be Held This Week.

The first biennial convention of the Tri-State Young Men's Christian Association of Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia and the District of Columbia, will begin in Cumberland Thursday and continue over Sunday.

The West Virginia delegates so far as heard from will be as follows: Morgantown, W. Va., Robert W. Damm, W. C. Gist, R. H. McMillen, O. C. Pratt, C. Q. Hopkins, L. E. Bennett, B. F. Lawrence, Chas. A. Ellison, W. H. Sanders, Addison D. Ellison, B. F. Speer, C. T. Boggess, M. Q. Wagner, M. Espey Albright, M. R. Daugherty, D. E. McQuilkin, F. Q. Leonard, H. E. Cooper, W. T. McCullough, Thomas, W. Va., D. V. VanSickle, Huddle, W. Va., R. Y. Baker, Harry Taylor, C. M. Rice, J. M. Quinlin, Taylor Parcel, J. L. Garretson; Mannington, W. Va., Lawrence Reedy, Rev. Charles Hollisell, F. A. Prichard; Buckhannon, W. Va., Arthur K. Drake, C. E. Goodwin, D. E. Kanekhoff, H. S. Baumgardner, E. E. Hicks, Roy McCuskey, Chas. A. Jones, Elkins, W. Va., O. S. Marsteller, Harry S. Irons, Rev. F. H. Barron, Clarksburg, W. Va., H. B. Dawson, Grafton, W. Va., George W. Pollock, Everett Spott, Rex, Aug. O. G. Angir, Rev. R. R. Windley, Rev. E. J. Hopkins, Prof. W. H. Wayte, B. Z. Holversott.

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Constable U. C. Edgell will move his office from the office of Squire James N. David in the court house, to that of Squire Samuel W. Gordon, on North Third street.

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The many friends of John Blount will be pleased to learn that he has entirely recovered from his attack of rheumatism. Chamberlain's Pain Balm cured him after the best doctors in the town (Monon, Ind.) had failed to give relief. The prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords is alone worth many times its cost. For sale by G. C. Stone, druggist.

ACCUSED MURDERER GIVEN A HEARING

Bedford, Ind., Feb. 29—James McDonald, charged with the murder of Miss Schaefer, was brought here to-day for a preliminary hearing. There was a large crowd at the station but there were no demonstrations. McDonald was held over to the grand jury and returned to Bloomington jail.

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West Bound.
No. 1—(daily) due 12:53 a. m.
No. 71—(daily) due 7:28 a. m.
No. 3—(daily) due 10:13 a. m.
No. 47—(daily) due 3:42 p. m.
No. 55—(daily) due 7:25 p. m.
East Bound.
No. 2—(daily) due 8:54 a. m.
No. 46—(daily) due 10:13 a. m.
No. 12—(daily) due 5:32 p. m.
No. 72—(daily) due 6:58 p. m.
No. 4—(daily) due 9:45 p. m.
W. VA. & PITTS. DIVISION
West Bound.
No. 3—(daily ex. Sunday) Ar. 6:15 a. m. Lv. 6:15 a. m.
No. 1—(daily) Ar. 9:30 a. m.; Lv. 10:30 a. m.
No. 5—(daily ex. Sun.) Ar. 2:15 p. m. Lv. 3:55 p. m.
No. 7—(daily ex. Sun.) Ar. 6:46 p. m. Lv. 7:20 p. m.
No. 9—(Sunday only) Ar. 7:20 p. m. Lv. 7:20 p. m.
East Bound.
No. 8—(daily ex. Sun.) Lv. 6:40 a. m. Ar. 10:35 p. m.
No. 2—(daily ex. Sun.) Ar. 8:50 a. m. Lv. 10:35 p. m.
No. 60—Sunday only Ar. and Lv. 9:40 a. m.
No. 6—(daily) Ar. 3:33 p. m.; Lv. 4 p. m.
No. 4—(daily ex. Sun.)—Ar. and Lv. 11:30 p. m.
WEST VIRGINIA SHORT LINE.
West Bound.
No. 717—(daily ex. Sun.) Ar. 11:50 a. m. No. 719—(daily) Ar. 8:15 p. m.
East Bound.
No. 718—(daily) Lv. 6:20 a. m.
No. 720—(daily ex. Sun.) Lv. 2:30 p. m.
Trains Nos. 7 and 8 run between Clarksburg and Sutton.
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WEST BOUND LEAVE				EAST BOUND LEAVE			
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11:00	11:16	11:28	11:38	11:44	11:56		
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*C. Clarksburg; A. Adamston; W. Wilsonburg; O. O'Neil. Last car leaves O'Neil 11:35, and comes back to barn at Adamston.

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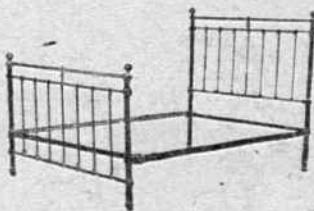
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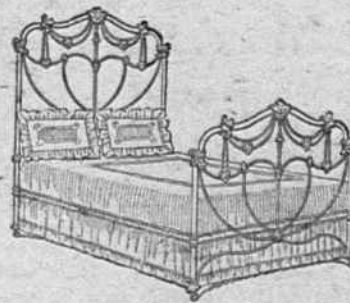
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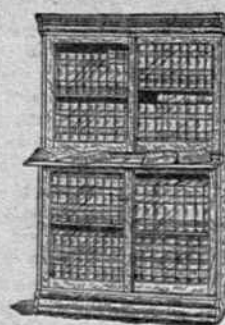
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